IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant

LIN et al.

Application No.

Not Yet Assigned

Filed

December 6, 2001

Title

MICRO-MACHINED HOT-WIRE FLOW SENSOR FOR

SPIROMETER

Docket No.

BHT-3134-60

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 18 and add new claim 70 as follows:

- -18. (Amended) The flow sensor of claim 12 [or 13], wherein the model is desktop or portable type.
- 70. (New) The flow sensor of claim 13, wherein the model is desktop or portable type.--

REMARKS

Version With Markings To Show Changes Made

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached pages are captioned VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE.

Summary

The foregoing amendments eliminate the multiple dependency of 18, thereby reducing the filing fee. An early action on the merits of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: <u>December 6, 2001</u> By:

Bruce H. Troxell Reg. No. 26,592

TROXELL LAW OFFICE PLLC

5205 Leesburg Pike, Suite 1404 Falls Church, Virginia 22041 Telephone: (703) 575-2711

Telefax: (70

(703) 575-2707

Docket No. BHT-3134-60 Page 1 of 1

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 18 has been amended and new claim 70 has been added as follows:

- 18. (Amended) The flow sensor of claim 12 [or 13], wherein the model is desktop or portable type.
- 70. (New) The flow sensor of claim 13, wherein the model is desktop or portable type.